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AMENDMENT

Sir,

This Amendment is filed in reply to the final Office Action having a mailing date of November 3, 2006. This response is filed within the three month shortened statutory period. Applicants therefore believe this response is timely filed and no fees are due. In the event any fees are due, please debit Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

As set forth more fully below, reexamination and reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested.